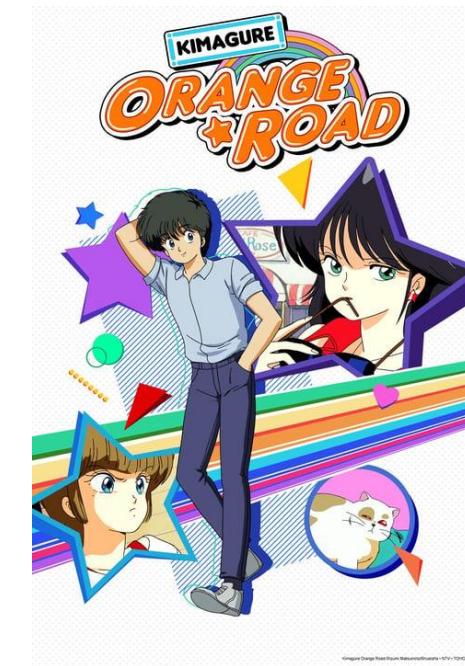


80s Romcom Animes and anthropomorphic animals

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- In 80s anime, especially those in the romantic comedy/drama genre, it's noticeable that animals often exhibit human-like and even transcendental actions. For example, they can sense when their owner is going through a difficult time, even from a distance, and start to feel sad themselves. They may also display human emotions and behaviors such as love, anger, and sadness. It's unclear which work first introduced this kind of characteristic, but it's evident that many people noticed it, enjoyed it, and were inspired to include similar animals in their own creations. After all, claiming it's all just a coincidence is highly improbable. 80s anime has its own distinct aesthetic, and anthropomorphized animals are just one of the many details that make these works so memorable.

1) Soichiro-san from Maison Ikkoku



2) Tama (butaneko) from Touch



- 3) Taisuke from Hiatari Ryouko



4) Jingoro from Kimagure Orange Road

